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Applicant: Suman Preet Singh KHANUJA et al.

Title: A COMPOSITION COMPRISING PHARMACEUTICAL/NUTRACEUTICAL AGENT AND A BIO-ENHANCER OBTAINED FROM GLYCYRRHIZA GLABRA

- Appl. No.: 09/655,710
- Appl. Filing Date: 09/05/2000
- Examiner: Susan D. Coe
- Art Unit: 1651

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. <u>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114</u>: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.

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- [] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.
- [] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on __.
- [] Other __.

b. Enclosed are:

[X] Preliminary Amendment.

[] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

- [] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [] Form PTO-1449 with copies of _____ listed reference(s).
- [] Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Prese	a Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	7	-	48	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
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[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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[] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$1190.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

[X] A check in the amount of \$1190.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

• Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date November 25, 2003

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE **Commissioner for Patents** PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is filed concurrently with a RCE in response to the final Office Action dated June 27, 2003, in the captioned application. A Petition for a two-month extension of time with the requisite fee is enclosed to extend the time to respond to November 27, 2003. Should such a request or any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: